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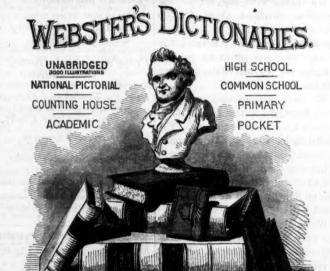
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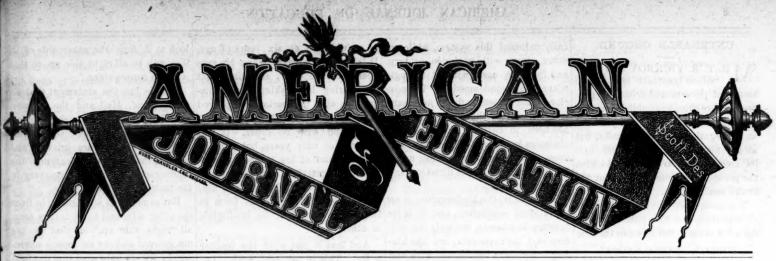
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INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITY

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We must look at things as they exist about us. Within the generation in which we live society has progressed and social needs have changed. What was acceptable thirty years ago is intolerable now. Then the college curriculum consisted almost exclusively of Greek, Latin and even supposing that the examinations mathematics. Now the modern languages, English literature, the natural sciences, history and philosophy, constitute a material part of a liberal

Thus a generation has changed and modified the higher education, and the sober thought, which does not needlessly abandon the old and tried, but modifies it and adapts it to new needs, is now earnestly canvassing the domain of primary instruction.

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Primary education, in every particular, is being most thoroughly canvassed. All its processes are questioned. The daily press, so sensitive to public opinion, is arraigning the schools and pointing out their imperfections.

Notwithstanding the public school is the crowning glory of free institutions, the verdict has gone against many features, and we are compelled, whether it is agreeable to us or not, to take up the consideration of educational processes de novo, and scrutinize every item of their matter and form.

For a decade kindergartens have been growing up here and elsewhere. One class of persons has enthusiasti- expect logically to find in the mind joined, "Oh well then, if you only republic; it expresses the resolution

other class, without judge or jury. It is only a few years since his eyes and in some cases without a single opened to the light, and since that is of no consequence." witness, has condemned it. The novelty of the system and the necessary inexperience of those whose duty it in upon his mind with confusing rahas been to carry it out, have been pidity, and with no order. It will from one side and find things "all obstacles in the way of success. But require not only years, but also the upside down" and are grieved, and these obstacles are vanishing under the influence of careful direction and ble him to get these impressions sorpersevering effort.

The fact is, the kindergarten is an educational institution, and it is its function to educate, not only the children and their parents, but the kindergartners, the teachers of high and low rank, and especially the great community of which all these classes are but a part."

OUT OF CHAOS, CREATION.

BY ANNA C. BRACKETT.

L AST month I endeavored to draw attention to the statistics recently made public by Prof. G. S. Hall, as to the concepts of small children in the Boston public schools. I tried to show that as it seemed to me there was very little of practical results to be drawn from such statistics: i. e., on which the statistics were based had succeeded in reaching any degree of truth, that we as teachers could not seem to prevent such a state of things.

But furthermore, when we are told that "chaos seemed to reign in the minds of many of the children in regard to common objects," I presume that we are expected to look upon this fact with regret.

In opposition to such a view, I want to say that all that we ought to expect to find in the mind of a young child is chaos; and more than this, that chaos is the most desirable thing to find there.

In the creation of the physical world, we are told that chaos was the material out of which it was formed, and if it was good enough to be made a basis for the work of the Creative Energy at the beginning, I submit that it is good enough now as a basis for the creative work of the teacher to-day: in fact, that it is the very condition of mind which she ought to rejoice to find.

But what is chaos?_

yawning chasm, or an empty, infinite space." But this, according to the results of the Boston examination, was evidently not the state of the minds of the children. It was rather according to our second definition, "a rude, confused state, or unorganized condition of matter before the creation of the universe."

Now this is exactly what we should

cally indorsed this system, while an- of a child five or six years of age. time during his waking hours, impression after impression has poured guiding hand of his teacher, to enated out, classified, labelled for use, and to be able to express them in language which shall be intelligible to others.

> And that is just what the teacher is for. This is her real work. Impressions and ideas such as they are -of these the child has plenty. In fact he has too many for his handling. He is confused, embarrassed.

> Just what we teachers are for is to say to the child: "See; those two things are alike. Put them in one bundle up in that corner." "No, don't keep that. It is of no use." "Yes, that is the most precious thing you have. It does not look like much, but it will grow. Put it in the safest place you can find." "Oh no, don't leave those things lying round there. Tie them together end to end, and then don't you see, when you draw out one, the others will come too, all in nice order." "Don't keep such a lot of those things! they are all alike. One is enough to show the whole."

And so on, till the light is divided from the darkness, the waters under the firmament from the waters above the firmament, the land from the water, the organic from the inorganic. the lights of heaven from each other, the animals from the plants, the human beings from the animals, and the relations of each to all established. Then creation will have been brought forth out of chaos, and our work will be "very good."

But without chaos, there could influence on our national life. have been no creation, and we knew this before the examination in the Boston public schools. Instead of something alien, something to be rejected and despised, we ought to welcome it with outstretched arms, as our only condition of work. For the true teacher is a creator, and what she should most earnestly seek for is Webster tells us first that it is "a chaos, that she may have the joy of is clear gain, pure gold without alloy, creating.

The other day I was listening to a class who were reading the first book of Paradise Lost. A definition of chaos was asked for. One girl said, down."

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This is just the statement that we want. Prof. Hall and the Boston examiners look into the child's mind suggest that some modification of the kindergarten method is necessary in the instruction of the young.

But some of us are looking in from the other side, and to us things seem all "right side up," so that we are not grieved and by no means astonished; we are only glad that our field is ready for our plowing and sowing. We see that things are, as Emerson puts it, "huddled and lumped," but we know too that it is for us to make them sundered and divisible.

And we do not expect creation to be finished before six long days. We know, as Jean Ingelow says, that "children take long to grow," and so we work, patiently waiting the "fullness of time," and recognizing that we cannot hurry the currents of life. either mental or physical, that we must not only work but wait.

And chaos is an old friend of ours. not a new acquaintance; and it is a friend, not an enemy; and in time we shall transform it into creation, or we are not teachers.

THE BEST FEATURE.

MR. JOHN A. DILLON of the Post-Dispatch, in his eloquent address before the Missouri Press Association, at Carthage, said:

"There is no aspect of our country more grateful to the eve of patriotism, more cheering to the hopes of the future, than the spectacle presented by that vast system of free public school education which covers the whole face of the country, and day by day exerts its elevating and purifying

It is the best feature in the whole plan of the Republic. All others may have losses to offset their gains. Our turning away from chaos as if it were politics may lead to corruption, our trade may carry us out of our course and land us on the rocks of panic and bankruptcy, our manufactures may employ our workmen only to impoverish them, but

OUR PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

a jewel without a flaw, in our diadem.

And it belongs wholly to us; it is our own; we invented it; we planned its details; we carry it on, and it represents the unanimous sentiment of as Webster does, that it was an empty the American people, that intelliplace; and another said "No, it is a gence and cultivation and the develplace where everything is upside opment of the intellectual faculties by study and training are the firm foundation stones of a free, popular counsels and guide its course.

The whole republic is devoted and

from the State. Let us stand firmly by the cause of education at all times and under all conditions. Let us stir up the stagnant spirit of the people. Let us excite the energies which contribute to the growth and spread of

Let us make the cause of primary education and of higher education, of high schools and normal schools and technical schools and universities, of education in all its branches and in all its developments, the one cause in which the editors of Missouri know no divisions or dissensions, no rivalry, save the generous emulation of being first and strongest in the effort, and this Commonwealth will owe us more than if we had doubled its wealth in a day, or landed a ship-load of emigrants on its territory every day in the year for ten years."

SENILITY.

DR. LAWS' senile threats of revolution and dire disaster, made in his fraudulent speech to the editorial convention at St. Joseph last year, stand out in strange contrast with the logical and eloquent statements of Mr. John A. Dillon of the Post-Dispatch, at Carthage, on the occasion of the gathering for 1883.

Mr. Dillon's eyes are in his forehead. Dr. Laws' eyes seem to be in his hind-head. The one looks forward and upward-the other, backward and downward. One is a leader, hopeful-the other is senile and faithless. The one is a man-the other a

The one summons with his bugle blast, millions to duty-the other, ostrich like, sticks his head in the sand and howls the dismal chaunt of dissolution and desolation.

It is a good time now for the Curators of the State University to follow the advice given by the Post-Dispatch, and "kick Dr. Laws out," and let him sink into a senile obliv-

In his present position he is not only a hindrance, but a disgrace to the State, only capable of perpetrating small frauds in a small way.

His petty tyranny in suppressing the college paper at Columbia, and his meaner persecutions of all students who do not endorse the sentiments of his St. Joseph speech, stamp him as infamous in his cowardice, and is another evidence of his senility and unfitness for his position.

The students hate him, the people

that the darkness of ignorance shall despise him, and the State, if it must Rome or a howling mob of Commun- If a rational process will shorten the be banished from the land, and that support him, had better pension him ists. the light of learning shall direct its as a pauper than to continue him "for a price."

Return him the money he paidcommitted to the cause of education. or promised to pay-if he was "con-Let us work to banish ignorance tinued," as President, and let him step down and out.

THE WEAKEST SPOT.

DR. O. W. HOLMES writes very philosophically, in "The One-Hoss Shay":

"The weakest spot must stand the strain."

If the election of a bad man from any ward of a large city, or from any electoral district or county should turn the scale against good government by aiding and strengthening an unscrupulous majority to enact bad laws or to repeal good laws, the public detriment might be a vast and incurable mischief, not only in the State where it occurs, but in a wide or even a national extent.

The weak spot may be the ruin of the cable. The flaw or blemish of one link may cost the wreck of the ship and all on board. One misplaced rail on a track may throw off a train and kill many passengers.

It is our duty as good citizens to prevent accidents wherever we can. It is common sense to pay more money in order to secure safety, welfare, unbroken progress, peace and augmenting power, than it costs to repair damages in part, and then suffer what cannot be repaired.

It is cheaper to keep the levee high and strong than to let it break, and bear the ravages of the river, and afterwards pay even larger costs to make the levee strong and sound as it should be.

Property owners would do well to invest more money in good schools, and spend less in jails, prisons and penitentiaries. Invested in schools, especially in founding schools where needed, money or taxes will ultimately pay the very largest percent in every way; but if spent in punishing, trying, confining the hardened criminals, it is spent and sunk and lost, unavoidably and annually losta ceaseless stream of leakage-for crime never ceases.

The perils to our liberties, the perils to our institutions, the perils to our symmetrical development as a great and united people with numerous interests, are everywhere augmented by the ignorant, the vicious, the criminal.

Such voters are hirelings, and can be bribed in the line of their special weakness-such voters count up by thousands, even by ten thousands, in some of our cities and States.

Such voters are as corrupt and as dangerous as ever was a rabble of utilize some of the present teachers. namely, their distempers.

voters. We must educate better ones, if we cannot much amend the adult generation. The rising race in six or eight years will furnish a powerful contingent to the defenders of civil liberty and righteous laws, if properly reared and trained.

The means and resources of individuals and communities, of States and the Nation, should be used earnestly, promptly and to any required or are naughty, the family is utterly

God speed every measure and movement to break the fetters of prejudice and passion, every effort to elevate and purify the rising generations of citizens.

A BIT OF EXPERIENCE.

MR. T. R. VICKROY, in his address on the "American Kindergarten," cited results from his own experience. He said:

"In the school of which I have been principal for nine years (the Irving) I have taken the trouble to make a careful study of the whole matter. I have had a kindergarten for four years, and many of the kindergarten children are now in the fifth, fourth, third and lower grades. Last November I made careful comparison of the age and scholarship of both classes of children, the kindergarten and the non-kindergarten.

It was made apparent that the children had gained nine months' time and five per cent. scholarship in the third grade, one year ten months and seven per cent. in the fourth grade, and two years ten months and nine per cent. in the fifth grade.

Since November there have been promotions from grade to grade, and the result of the work, as tabulated for me by faithful and trustworthy teachers, exhibits a like gain in age. As children have been graded upon their ability to do, the scholarship in the rooms is within one to three per cent. of being the same, but in favor of kindergarten children. As the school now stands, in the fifth grade the kindergarten children are eleven months younger than the others; in the fourth grade, sixteen months, and in the third grade, twenty-four months. That is, children 9, 10 and 11 years old from the kindergarten, grade with children 11, 12 and 13 years of age.

Now, if a developing process, carried out even imperfectly, shows such gains in time and scholarship, but one conclusion can be drawn. Ex-

work by one or two years, economy That is our weakest spot: corrupt will be subserved, for why should hundreds of thousands of dollars be spent when better results can be gained by sending children to school for a single session?

It will be equivalent to adding one room to a four-room building, three rooms to a ten or twelve-room building, and five rooms to an eighteen or twenty-room building.

Teachers will be able to do better work and deserve better pay, and extent; for if the children are naught many who are now crowded out for want of room will be pleasantly accommodated."

Morality in the Public Schools.

OLIVER JOHNSON, in the .At lantic Monthly for June, says "There is need of an educationa symposium of representative men o all shades of religious belief and speculation, - Catholic and Protestant, Orthodox and Liberal, Jew and Agnostic,-to consider this subject. Sitting down together and looking into each other's faces with sentiments of mutual esteem; setting aside for the moment all speculative questions, and fixing their thoughts upon the one subject of moral teaching in the schools, they would no doubt be astonished to find themselves in perfect agreement.

Upon the abstract question whether the ultimate basis of morality is to be sought in a supernatural revela tion, or in the nature of man and the testimony of experience and observ ation, they would of course differ widely; but as to morality itself, in its practical relations to the education of the young, they would speak with one voice.

Traveling by different roads, they would find that they had arrived at one and the same place, and were all seeking a common end. And the morality which they would all commend as essential to the purity of society and the safety of the republic, and therefore indispensable to good citizenship, would be, in substance, that of the New Testament, which has its grandest illustration in the teaching and example of Jesus,-his example in death as well as in life."

Every good school taught, helps every other school in the community, and teachers owe it to themselves and to their efficiency and reputation to do the most and the best for their pupils during the short sessions the schools continue.

Teach the children that there is one tend the kindergarten system, and, if topic peremptorily forbidden to all need be, use additional rooms and well-bred, to all rational mortals

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TEXAS has gained immensely by money Jay Gould and others have expended in the State since the railroad combinations have been made. The Austin Statesman, good authority, says: "We are satisfied Texas will suffer no detriment from the absorption of railway interests by the Gould and Huntington syndicates. They have both done more in the last twelve months for the development of the State than was ever accomplished by any other agencies. Through them two competitive transcontinental trunk lines have been built across Texas, and it will not be long before another is completed. They have spent a hundred millions of dollars in money in Texas, and to give their trunk lines business they will soon feed them with numerous local roads. The completion of these thoroughfares makes frontier protection, therefore, an unnecessary expense."

It is a poor time, just now, to antagonize railway interests in Texas. Thirty thousand miles of railways are needed in its borders.

The State Teachers' Association.

A s indicating the range and extent of subjects to be discussed by the educators of Texas, we give the following programme of exercises of the Texas State Teachers' Association, to be held at Galveston, June 26, 27, 28 and 29, 1883.

OFFICERS.

M. B. Franklin, A. M., M.D., Pres. A. J. Robert, Andrews College, 1st Vice President.

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Prof. R. W. Pittman, Round Rock, 5th Vice President.

Prof. J. S. Brown, Pilot Point, Sec. Prof. J. L. Miller, Wortham, Treas. PROGRAMME.

Tuesday, morning session, 10 a. m. 1. Opening exercises; 2. Address of Welcome, Miss Virginia E. Garland; 3. Reply, Gen. L. M. Lewis, Marvin College; 4. President's Address; 5. Appointment of committees.

Afternoon session, 2 p. m. 1. Opening exercises; 2. Life and Character of Geo. Peabody, Hon. O. N. Hollingsworth; 3. Discussion, opened by Prof. J. T. Hand; 4. Proper Study of English, W. C. Rote, San Antonio; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. C. H. Hobbs, Whitesboro; 6. Exhibition of Class Work, Primary Arithmetic, Prof. R.W. Pittman. Night session, 7.30 p. m.

road as an Element of Education, Alex. Hogg, Supt. Public Schools at Fort Worth; 3. Discussion, Dr. J. Baldwin, S. H. N. Institute; 4. History, J. R. Cole, A. and M. College; C. Burleson, Waco University; 4. 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. A. J.

Wednesday, morning session, 9

1. Opening exercises; 2. Geology, Prof. E. B. Keyte, Denton; 3. Discussion, opened by Mrs. J. G. Nash, Sherman: 4. The Teacher's Preparation for Class Work, Mr. A. B. Groyn, Galveston; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. Smith Ragsdale; 6. Receiving Reports of Committees.

Afternoon session, 2 p. m.

1. Opening exercises: 2. Observations on Schools in England and Scotland, Col. J. B. Simpson, Dallas; 3. Science Teaching in Elementary Schools, Mr. H. Lee Sellers, Galveston; 4. Discussion opened by Prof. W. Crow, Mineola, 5. Mathematical Studies Vindicated, Maj. J. M. Richardson, Leesburg; 6. Discussion, opened by Prof. M. H. Allis, Moulton: 7. Exhibition of Class Work, Written Arithmetic, Prof. Walter Pitts, Chappel Hill.

Night session, 8 p. m.

1. Opening exercises; 2. The Voluntary Principle, Stimulated by Denominational Spirit, the Best Reliance for Colleges and High Schools, Rev. Wm. Cary Crane, Baylor University; 3. Discussion, opened by Rev. John Collier, Mansfield; 4. State University, Hon. Ashbel Smith, Houston; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. Keyser, Tyler.

Thursday, morning session, 8:30 o'clock.

1. Opening exercises; 2. The Spanish Language in Our Schools, Prof. Smith, Whitesboro; 3. Discussion, opened by Prof. W. C. Rote; 4. Educational Progress in the United States during the First Century, Prof. J. C. Brooks, Gainesville; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. J. L. Miller; 6. Exhibition of Class Work in Geography, Prof. Potter, Gainesville.

Afternoon session, 2 p. m.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Spirit of The School Room, Mrs. C. Walden, Fort Worth; 3. Discussion, opened by Miss Olivia Baldwin, S. H. N. Institute; 4. The Debt of Literature to the Common School, Prof. W. H. Foute, of Houston; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. J. R. Dean, S. H. N. Institute.

Night session, 8 p. m.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Literary Culture, Gen. L. M. Lewis; 3. Discussion, opened by Prof. W. F. Mister, Plano; 4. Art of Teaching, Dr. J. Baldwin; 5. Discussion, opened 1. Opening exercises; 2. The Rail- by Prof. Summerville, Denison.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Address. Gov. Ireland; 3. Education Without Moral Culture a Curse, Rev. Dr. R.

Friday, morning session, 8:30 a.m.

Discussion, opened by Mrs. H. C. Hobbs, Whitesbore; 5. Above continued by Rev. J. R. Malone, Dallas; 6. Exhibition of Class Work on Reading, Miss Viola Jackson, Sherman.

Afternoon session, 2 o'clock.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Election of Delegates to the National Convention; 3. Selection of a place for the Next Meeting; 4. Election of officers for the ensuing year; 5. Address, J. B. Merwin, Managing Editor American Journal of Education, St. Louis. Night session.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Schools of Germany, Prof. W. L. Binghurst, Marshall; 3. Civil Government, Miss Laura Malone, Dallas; 4. Discussion. opened by Prof. Johnson, Tyler; 5. School Government, Dr. E. D. Pitts; 6. Discussion, opened by Prof. W W. James, Dallas; 7. Miscellaneous Business; 8. Religious Exercises and Adjournment.

The Board of Education of Texas have made assignments of teachers to the summer normal schools-thirty white and eight colored. Texas is the only State in the Union furnishing this number of normal schools for colored teachers. The institutes are to be opened June 2, for four weeks. The salaries of principals, \$150 each.

The Texas Treasury is certainly in s very healthful condition. Recently an inventory was taken with the following result: Cash, \$275,000; school fund bonds, \$5,000,000; university and asylum fund, \$500,000: land notes, \$3,500,000; university land notes, \$250,000. This makes a a grand total in Treasury of \$12,-000,000 in actual cash and valuable Apotheosis, securities, and what other State can make so good a showing?

There was never a State more generous to the cause of education than Texas. Besides setting apart fifty millions of acres of land for public schools, which in time must create a fund sufficient to educate every child in the State, she establishes free normal schools, and then crowns the apex of an educational system with a university which is to be absolutely

Here every man is waited upon by the totality of surrounding conditions, and pressingly requested to show what power of will there is in him. The circumstances all invite him to do the greatest deed in his power and receive his wages therefor.

A catalogue of the Sam Houston Normal School is to be published and competitive examinations of students will be held at the times and places the summer normal schools are held. except that in districts where there are no summer schools, the directors shall themselves fix the time and place for such examinations.

The faculty for the ensuing term will be, Dr. J. Baldwin, principal; J. R. Dean, H. C. Pritchett, Mrs. A. A. Reynolds, Miss S. W. Elliott, Miss O. A. Baldwin, and H. F. Estell.

The acceptance of Dr. Mallet of the University of Virginia, Dr. Brown, brmerly of Vanderbilt University, and Dr. Humphreys of Vanderbilt, of chairs in the University of Texas is officially announced. With three such eminent educators to organize this new university, it at once takes a stand among the first of our country. The endowment of the university is ample, being over 2,000,000 acres of land, and an additional income of \$25,000 a year.

At the last presidential election 9,204,428 votes were cast; being one to every 5 1-2 people in the country.

COUNTY Superintendent offer-A ed a reward of \$5.00 to any one who would correctly spell all the words in this list. About 35 teachers entered the contest, but no one won the prize. The highest number of the fifty correctly spelled by any one was 41. The greatest number of words missed by any one was 44.

We should not dare to make such an offer, for many of our subscribers are adepts in spelling, if "we" are not. Still, as these are both common and useful words, it will do no harm to try them on.

Arterialize. Apocalypse. Antitypical, Axletree, Baton Rouge, Buenos Ayres, Butte, Brail. Bicycle, Bivouac. Bologna, Bronchitis. Bowie-knife, Rilions. Caisson, Dyspepsia, Euchre, Empyreal,

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Guerrilla, Guillotine, Gauge, Howitzer, Kaleidoscope, Laurel. Lacquer, Labyrinth, Lachrymal, Mishawaka. Masquerade, Natchez, Psychology, Physique, Portuguese, Prairie du Chien, Rendezvous. Rensselaer. Shekel. Sauerkraut, Cheyenne, San Joaquin, Terre Coupee,

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DLEASE give notice that I will conduct examinations for State Certificates, as follows:

Memphis, June 15 and 16. Palmyra, June 18 and 19. Bowling Green, June 21 and 22. De Soto, July 9 and 10. Charleston, July 12 and 13. West Plains, July 16 and 17. Peirce City, July 19 and 20. Nevada, July 23 and 24. Independence, July 25 and 26. Sedalia, July 27 and 28. Maryville, August 1 and 2. Gallatin, August 3 and 4. Carrollton, August 6 and 7. Clayton, August 14 and 15. Moberly, August 20 and 21. Rolla, August 24 and 25.

I will address the people at the above places on the evening of the first day. Yours truly,

> W. E. COLEMAN, State Superintendent.

We are permitted to gather from the manuscript copy of Hon. R. D. Shannon's forthcoming able report, the following valuable data as illustrating the steady progress we have made and are still making in our system of public schools in Missouri.

These facts have been seriously questioned in the State and out of it. but they are "official," and will, we think, bear the closest scrutiny.

Omitting much of special importance for want of space, we take up the report of Dr. Shannon at the point of our

PRESENT CONDITION.

The following interesting facts are gleaned from the reports of county clerks and county commissioners of schools. The comparisons made are with the figures given in the last published report, which was the 31st, ending in April, 1880. The present report is for the school year which ended in April, 1882:

School census (age between 6 and 20) 1882-741,632; for 1880-723,-484; increase, 18,148.

Enrolled, 1882-488,091; in 1880, 482,986; increase, 5,105.

Per cent. of enrollment to enumeration, 1882,-65.81; in 1880-66.75; decrease, .94.

When we take into consideration the facts that the enumeration includes all persons in the State between the ages of six and twenty years, while the enrollment does not include any of the students attending the State University, the Normal Schools, the private and denominational schools, colleges and universities, nor the inmates of our asylums, hospitals and reformatory or penal institutions; that many of our youth

attend schools in other States, who are enumerated but not enrolled in our schools, and that thousands never attend school until arriving at the age of seven or eight years, while a still greater number commence their life work as clerks, laborers and wives, before attaining the twentieth year, it will be seen that the per cent. of enrollment is most excellent. As a matter of opinion, merely, I submit that it is not surpassed by any other State in the Union.

Those who are entitled to the privileges of the public schools are all enumerated; while the actual school age, or the period in which the people attend the public schools is nearer the limits eight and eighteen than six and twenty.

Again, the enumeration returns are always more nearly correct than are the returns of enrollment. The county clerk must have the enumeration returns of a school district or he cannot apportion any of the public school revenue to that district. But the enrollment in the schools, which the law requires to be reported to the county commissioner and not to the county clerk, is never fully reported. The school officers of a very large number of districts, every year, fail to report to the county commissioners; and it is almost certain that not a county commissioner in the State secures reports from every district in his county, unless the commissioner of Jasper county furnishes an excep-

School houses owned in 1882, 8,-272; rented, 265; total, 8,537; school houses owned and rented in 1880, 8,249; increase, 23.

Seating capacity of schools, 1882, 516,942; in 1880, 499,135; increase, 27.807.

Number of schools in operation, 1882, white, 8,321; colored, 501; total, 8,822; in 1880, white, 8,149; colored, 492; total, 8,641; increase, white, 172; colored, 9; total, 181.

Number of teachers employed, 1882, 10,607; in 1880, 11,659; decrease,

WAGES PAID

To teachers, 1882, \$2,226,609.58; in 1880, \$2,218,637.36; increase, \$8,-972.22.

Per year to each teacher, 1882. \$209.91; in 1880, 190.29; increase,

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and cure the worst cases, even when you have been made worse by some great puffed up pretended cure.

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Maj. Hines, Boston, writes: "Samaritan Nervine" cured me of fits." \$1.50. Druggest. of her sex.

LENGTH OF SCHOOL TERM.

HON. R. D. SHANNON makes the following favorable showing as to the increased length of the school term in Missouri:

Estimating the average length of school term at five months in the year, and it will not exceed five (it is impossible to obtain the average from the reports of the commissioners, or other sources) and the wages paid is, to teachers per month in 1882, \$41.98; in 1880, \$38.05; increase, \$3.93.

Expenditures for school purposes. 1882, \$3,468,738.67, which is a per capita on enumeration of \$4.67 7-10: on enrollment, \$7.10 6-10.

Estimated value of school property. 1882, \$7,521,695.08; in 1880, \$7,-353,401.22; increase, \$168,293.86.

Assessed valuation of property (for State and county purposes) for 1882, \$560,391,848. Not reported by the commissioners of Andrew, Atchison, Cape Girardeau, Clinton, De Kalb, Henry, Holt, Laclede, Oregon, Osage, Ozark, Pike, Ripley, Scott, Shelby, Stone, Taney, Texas and Worth. Hence I was compelled to get this information partly from the State

District tax collected, report of 1882, \$2,286,191.66, which is 41c on the \$100 of assessed valuation of property.

Not reported by De Kalb and Macon counties, and not stated in the reports of county clerks of Andrew, De Kalb, Knox, Macon or Moniteau.

Fines, forfeitures, penalties, etc., (to increase county school funds, 1882,) \$91,168.91. This is an increase of \$40,000 over the average annual collections, as reported for a number of years.

When Themistocles was taunted as being deficient in personal accomplishment, he answered, "Tis true, I never learned how to tune a harp, or play upon a lute; but I know how to raise a small and inconsiderable State to greatness and glory."

Why is our life an endless flight of winged facts or events? In splendid variety these changes come, all putting questions to the human spirit.

. "Do not grasp at the shadow and lose the substance." Kidney-wort is able to convert you from a shadow of your former self into the substance of established health. Said a sufferer from kidney trouble, when asked to try Kidney-wort for a remedy, "I'll try it, but it will be my last dose." It cured him, and now he recommends it to all. If you have disordered kidneys don't fail to

*It is the common observation that the standard of natural health and normal activ ity among American women is being lowered by the influence of false ideas and habits of life, engendered by fashionable ignorance and luxurious living. It is a happy circumstance that Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham has come to the front to instruct and cure the sufferers

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A School of Civil and Mine Engineering, with Practical Chemistry and Metallurgy as Specialties.

The course of study extends through three years, embracing the following:

Civil Engineering.

In this department practical work is a distinctive feature; use of instruments, land and rail road surveying, drawing, sketching, triangula tions, excursions to bridges, railroad construc-tion, &c., form the chief work of this depart-

Mine Engineering.

Exploration and attack of mineral veins and deposits, timbering and surveying of mines, hoisting, pumping, and ore concentration are discussed in detail.

Mathematics.

In this department the aim is not alone to develop and strengthen the reasoning powers, but at the same time to secure such a familiarity with principles and processes as to enable the student to apply them to the solution of the questions that daily arise before the practical engineer, and to prepare him to read with ease the standard works of the profession. To this end special attention is devoted to the infinitesimal analysis and the method of lim ts in geometry and mechanics, and to the differential and integral calculus and its applications.

In the preparatory school great care is taken to secure thorough preparation in algebra and geometry, and a high grade of scholarship is required for admission to the professional courses.

Chemistry and Metallurgy.

Provision is made in the laboratories for teaching General Chemistry, Chemical Philosophy, Industrial Chemistry, Determinative Mineral-ogy, Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis, and Quantitative Blowpipe Analysis. Also assaying as applied to gold, silver, lead and copper ores, by fire and volumetic methods.

The chemical laboratory is well supplied with good apparatus, assay furnaces, gas, and modern convenience

In Metallurgy instruction is given by lectures, with recourse to the best works on the subject; applicants for graduation are required to furnish estimates and drawings of furnaces, metallurgic machinery, etc , etc.

Preparatory Department.

Although the School of Mines does not undertake to do the work of the common schools, a preparatory department has been established enefit of those who wish to prepare themselves for admission to the professional

Special work in Chemistry and Mathematics for Advanced Students.

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CHAS. E. WAIT, Director. G. Z. WHITNEY, Sec'y.

A REMARKABLE PAPER.

MR. E. H. LONG, Superintendent of Schools in St. Louis, read a somewhat remarkable paper on "Intellectual Training in Schools," before the Pedagogical Society in St. Louis last month-remarkable for its statement of fundamental truth; or rather for the restatement of truths on which not only all culture but all character is based; pointing out in a clear, concise way, the "order of development."

We give below a brief synopsis only of

SOME OF THE MEANS USED in the education of the young:

Language.—In learning language the word is presented and analyzed. In studying out new words when the letters have been previously learned, the mind is engaged in a synthetical process. Words are united to form a sentence; this, again, is synthesis, for there is unity in the sentence.

Grammatical study involves analysis of the construction and of the thought. When elements have been gained by the accumulation of words as well as by the analysis of sentences, the wise teacher will give exercises requiring creative synthesis, which will notice the necessary relations of the words and elements.

Such an exercise in the study of language would, of course, be an exercise in "composition." In the critbe made conscious of the act of reflection, in the selection of the words necessary to express his exact meaning, and also in deciding upon the necessary form of combination and different sections of a country, as to expression.

Synthesis is the creative side of the activity of thought, and must result in something higher-a unity of fact of particular locality-all these knowledge of language is not complete until its nature as the revelation of reason is understood. By remembering what was previously said of the nature of language, it will not be difficult to determine how powerful a means it may be made in the hands of raphy. a wise teacher, to aid in developing the reasoning faculties.

The study of form requires the exercise of the analytical and reflective power of the mind, and as applied in drawing may give wonderful exercise to the creative power. If properly taught, the activity of the mind can be revealed in almost all its phases.

Number.-Number is nothing more than the abstract universality and particularity of the thinking activity. In making number we use the synthetical process, but it is a synthesis of units as independent totals, i. e., particulars. This synthesis does not take into consideration any essential

relation. It is a mere putting together of independent units. In the application of number we never get back of this dead synthesis, and it would be of no use, either practically or theoretically, to go back to the genesis of number.

All arithmetical problems are limited to simple increase and decrease by independent units or to the finding of a ratio between two given numbers and then finding a number, between which and a third number, the same ratio exists. But finding a ratio is only telling how many or much of any number must be added to itself to make it as great as some other number. These few processes exhaust the subject.

Arithmetic is a very feeble means for developing the synthetic reason, because its elements are few and contain for the mind only the relation of more or less. It deals with a form of analysis, and requires a formal statement of a proposition or judgment. It is all formal, dead, and never leads to a knowledge of the truth of things. The facts taught and the forms used, are valuable in practical life, and must form a part of the material used in education, but through these the pupil cannot be led to see things as belonging to a system, or as an element in an active process.

Geography can be so taught as to give much of the kind of training the parts of a country or grand division should end in the realization that these parts are included in a greater whole. The relations of the conformation-the influence of these upon temperature, water supply, fertility-the conditions produced by the particulars in essential relation. The influences upon productions and upon man; and also, social conditionsthe necessary dependence of every individual upon the strength of all, though each be free in his power to act; these are essential relations to be brought out in the study of geog-

The most valuable and practical of all training is that which gives the key to all movements in thought and in society.

Make the commencement exercises short. Have the girls dress neatly, the best scholars cannot make a "show" in dress, and they are to be considered, for it is what they do that tells,-not how finely the class was dressed.

Concentration is the secret of strength in politics, in war, in trade; in short, in all management of human

IOWA.

THE State Superintendent of Iowa has been holding a series of conventions of the county superintendents with great success, and with great profit too-to the school interests of the State.

At Spirit Lake, July 3d to 10th, there will be a joint convention of the three northern districts; this includes the counties of Buena Vista, Cherokee, Hamilton, Hardin, Humboldt, Pocahontas, Plymouth, Webster, Woodbury, Wright-Allamakee, Bremer, Butler, Clayton, Cerro Gordo, Chickasaw, Fayette, Franklin, Floyd, Howard, Mitchell, Winneshiek, Worth-Clay, Dickinson, Emmet, Hancock, Kossuth, Lyon, O'Brien, Osceola, Palo Alto, Sioux and Winnebago.

"What we shall teach in our schools," is very definitely indicated. It must be of so general a character as to give the as yet unformed character, the key to its own capacities, and thereby enable it to choose freely its own path, and determine for itself its own destiny.

Education has this special function to perform in society; it gives each individual the language of the social organization and the common stock of ideas which govern it. It gives man the theoretical tools by which he obtains the mastery over the realms ical study of language the pupil can that is most valuable. The study of of nature as well as over those of

> NORMAL INSTITUTES will be held in Iowa as follows:

Harrison county, Logan, July 30, three weeks; L. W. Parish, conduc-

Lyon county, Rock Rapids, Aug. 20, two weeks; E. R. Eldridge, conductor.

Scott county, Davenport, July 9, four weeks; P. S. Morton, conduc-J. W. AKERS.

Supt. Public Instruction.

WE would call attention to the following item in the Missouri Republican of May 18:

"Mr. Ashley Cabell has lately become president of the School-Book Company of this city. A man of his talents, integrity and capacity could not long remain unconnected with some useful work. Mr. C. was till recently incumbent of the office of jury commissioner of this but plain. Talk it over. Some of city, a place of much responsibility and importance, and in the new field to which he has turned his attention it may be expected he will be at least equally devoted and efficient.'

Our congratulations are extended to the new president, and to the American School-Book Company.

Love is never lost. If not reciprocated it will flow back and soften and purify the heart.

INDIANA.

THE Indiana School Journal, one of the very best on our exchange list. savs :

"The election of county superintendents will occur the first of June. This is an election that the political papers of the State will say little about, and yet it is one of great importance. The county superintendent has to do with more vital interests of the people than does any other county officer. The education of the boys and girls of a county is paramount to all other interests, and the supervision of it, which in a large degree will determine its efficiency, should not be entrusted to incompetent hands."

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That is good advice for all of us, in Indiana or out of it. They drive away at practical matters in this State, certainly.

We find the following in answer to questions by the State Board of Education bearing on the subject of Physiology, and

THE SEATING OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

"The evil effects of seating pupils at desks too high for them, are many. The feet not touching the floor, the weight of the lower limb projecting beyond and hanging from the seat, causes curvature of the femur The elevation of one shoulder above another in order to accommodate themselves to the desk, produces curvature of the spine, giving a tendency to nervous troubles.

The strain upon the muscles produces excessive weariness; and the digestive organs are misplaced and disturbed in the performance of their functions."

THE commencement exercises of Ewing College will take place on Thursday, June 7. The annual address will be delivered by J. B. Merwin, Editor of the American Journal of Education, on Thursday afternoon, at the college chapel.

THE annual meeting of the National Teachers' Association will be held at Saratoga, N. Y., Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, July 9, 10 and 11.

Professor C. M. Woodward of Washington University, St. Louis, will discuss "The Results of Manual Education," and Prof. S. R. Thompson of the State University at Lincoln, Nebraska, will report on "The Progress of the Year in Industrial Education."

Miss Josephine C. Locke, Supervisor of Drawing in the St. Louis Schools, will be able to show practical and valuable results of work done in these schools.

Further items of interest, in the various departments, will be given in the July number.

TENNESSEE American Journal of Education

IMPORTANT.

TO the school officers and teachers of Tennessee we are glad to pre sent the following

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OFFICE STATE SUPT. OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, NASHVILLE, Tenn., July, 1880.

I can cheerfully commend the American Journal of Education to the patronage of Tennessee teachers. superintendents and tax-payers, not only because of its general ability, spirit and usefulness, but because it gives more attention and space to notices of our own schools and of educational movements in our own State than any other journal. The Tennessee (special) editor understands our wants and does not neglect them. LEON TROUSDALE,

State Supt.

"The problem to be decided in this section is, what will be the best system of education to adopt where there are few towns, where the population is so scattered that not more than 25 to 40 pupils can be collected in one school. Not more than one in one hundred of the children in the cotton States will be able to enjoy the benefits of any other school than the one which is near enough for them to attend and board at home.

The schools to be efficient must continue nine or ten months in the

They must be taught by good teachers.

These teachers must be paid a living salary.

I find by the responses I have received from persons in various parts of this and other States, who have read my pamphlet, that there are

ENTERPRISING FARMERS

In almost every section who are willing to make a sacrifice to educate their children. They can raise from one-third to one-half enough money to pay a good teacher for a whole year-but because they are too poor to pay the whole sum necessary to emply efficient instructors, they are obliged to be content with indifferent schools taught by poor teachers.

The question is, how shall money be raised to aid those who are willing to make a sacrifice, and at the same time to work no injustice to those who are so indifferent as to be unwilling to make any effort to support schools?

Any suggestions you may make or any information you will give me in soul of every child of man is to the regard to books or periodicals containing articles upon the subject of education in the rural districts, will be thankfully received.

Very respectfully yours,

THE GREATEST NEED.

IT is said that in the education of the freedmen of the South, the greatest need is not so much leadership in thought, politics or religion, as in the mechanical and scientific departments of practical work,

The knowledge of Latin or Greek avails little unless united with such acquaintance with the fundamental principles of practical work as shall open wide the avenues of industry and independence with which our land abounds. It is perhaps not generally known that this admirable theory has already become an accom-plished fact in at least one Southern

To Bishop H. W. Warren, D. D., of the Methodist Episcopal church, belongs the honor of taking the initiative in this march of human pro TENNESSEE.

ONE of the most intelligent and public spirited citizens of Tennessee writes us as follows:

United the this match of number progress. Widely extended travel in the South convinced Bishop Warren that the freedman's greatest need was realization of his own possibilities, and then finding within reach means of development.

To this end a school of carpentry was established in connection with

CLARK UNIVERSITY. Atlanta, which, in a short time, has accomplished highly creditable rescompined highly creditable re-sults. Several buildings for farming purposes, a blacksmith shop, a fine dormatory, and the prettiest cottage in Atlanta, have been erected by the

Assuming that the highest perfec-tion of man is to do common things perfectly, the pupils of this industrial school are not allowed any advance until they are perfect in preliminary work. To teach self-help is to better the condition of these people.

Habits of industry and thrift are the magic key which will open to them the door of opportunity, and are the essential conditions of suc-cess. The founder of this industrial school arms his pupils with implements by which each may hew out for himself an honorable place, and be the architect of his own fortune. Who will be the next to found one of many such schools needed in the South, and adopt Mr. Ruskin's motto "To-day?"

EXTRACTS

FROM an address of Canon Farrar, in England:

"When the great scholar Muretus was traveling in the disguise of a beggar, he was taken ill at a foreign town. His illness called for some serious operation; and, talking to each other in Latin, the physicians said, 'Fiat experimentum in corpore vili.' Vilemne animam appellas? exclaimed the indignant scholar to his startled hearers, 'pro qua Christus non est dedignatus mori.'

The anecdote tells us why every Christian sacred, and even of infinite sacredness. But, quite apart from this thought, the vast possibilities which lie in every human soul, should be enough to make the task of its training a solemn and a sacred one.

In 1793, when he was expecting every hour to be led off to the guillotine, Dupont de Nemours said,-'Even at this incomprehensible moment, when morality, enlightenment, love of country, all of them only make death at the prison door or on the scaffold, more certain,-yes, on the fatal tumbril itself,-with nothing free but my voice, I could still cry take care, to a child that should come too near the wheel. Perhaps I may save his life; perhaps he may, one day, save his country.'

But I think that religious menmen who not only believe in God, but have faith in Him-must feel this more deeply than others, even as religious nations have so felt it.

Contrast the neglect of early education and the contempt in which teachers were held among the Greeks and Romans-a neglect and contempt the advantage of a religious educaso feelingly portrayed by Juvenalwith the feelings of the Jews, as shown in many passages of the Talmud.

In one of these, they tell how once, in a great drought, their greatest Rabbis prayed and wept for rain, and the rain came not. And, at last, a common-looking person got up and prayed to Him who causeth the wind to blow and the rain to descend, and instantly the heavens began to cover themselves with clouds, and the rain began to fall.

'Who art thou,' they cried, 'whose prayers have alone prevailed?'

And he answered, 'I am a teacher of little children.'

Who shall estimate what the world has gained by wise education, and what it has lost by the neglect of it?

'Providence,' as Victor Hugo says, entrusts us with a portion of its own functions. God says to man, I confide to thee this child.' 'All,' says Dr. Arnold, 'who have meditated on the art of governing mankind, have felt that the fate of empires depended on the education of youth.'

'Give me the children,' said Cardi nal Wiseman, 'and in twenty years all England shall be Catholic.

'Train a boy well or ill, and of the effects of your training,' said Sydney Smith, 'you can neither measure the quantity nor perceive the end. It may be communicated to children's children; it may last for centuries; it may be communicated to innumerable individuals.'

years old. It would be impossible to find a face of more exquisite and winning loveliness. The hair rests in sunny waves about a smooth forehead; the features are full of mirthful innocence. You wish to see what sort of a man that child became. You anticipate a face full of manly beauty. What you see is a face puffed, bloated, sullen, of which you know not whether it repels you most by its brutal sensuousness, or by its sanguinary ferocity.

Who had the training of that bright and trustful child? First, a barber and a dancer; then relatives and parents of exceptional infamy. He was the wild beast of the Apocalypse, the Emperor Nero.

On the other hand, consider how many have borne testimony to the truth that a child trained in the way wherein he should go, will not depart from it; will not wholly, will not finally depart from it,-at the worst will not so wholly and so finally depart from it as if he had not been rightly trained.

'I bless God heartily,' said Lord Russell on the scaffold, 'that I had tion; for even when I minded it least it still hung about me and gave me checks."

THE OLD STYLE.

THE old style barbarity practiced in England in punishing children is sketched by a victim as follows:

"He remembered shudderingly the ail under the master's desk, always full of brine, in which the straps used to be kept soaked, so as to make the leather more cutting; the great tiled class-room where they used to recite their lessons on their knees, or drag themselves for the least punishment up to one of the brothers. How they came up, holding out and then withdrawing their hands, and how straight and stiff he used to stand, waiting for them in his rough black cossack, which used to grow shorter under his arms as he lifted his hand for the

Brother Cook they used to call him, because he did the cooking as well as the teaching. He could hear again the "haw!" of the dear brother, as he brought down his strap, and could feel again the tingling at the ends of his little inky fingers which pricked with the pain as if stung by a thousand insects.

And then there were other punishments still more barbarous; for example, when they had to have to lick clean with their tongues the tiled floor, which had been freshly sprin kled, and the dust from which, turn ed to dirty mud, stung to the quick Among the busts of the Roman Emperors at the British Museum, you may see one of a child about six against some petty rule."

TEXAS.

TEXAS has gained immensely by money Jay Gould and others have expended in the State since the railroad combinations have been made. The Austin Statesman, good authority, says: "We are satisfied Texas will suffer no detriment from the absorption of railway interests by the Gould and Huntington syndicates. They have both done more in the last twelve months for the development of the State than was ever accomplished by any other agencies. Through them two competitive transcontinental trunk lines have been built across Texas, and it will not be long before another is completed. They have spent a hundred millions of dollars in money in Texas, and to give their trunk lines business they will soon feed them with numerous local roads. The completion of these thoroughfares makes frontier protection, therefore, an unnecessary expense."

It is a poor time, just now, to antagonize railway interests in Texas. Thirty thousand miles of railways are needed in its borders.

The State Teachers' Association,

S indicating the range and extent of subjects to be discussed by the educators of Texas, we give the following programme of exercises of the Texas State Teachers' Association, to be held at Galveston, June 26, 27, 28 and 29, 1883.

OFFICERS.

M. B. Franklin, A. M., M.D., Pres. A. J. Robert, Andrews College, 1st Vice President.

Miss Virginia E. Garland, Galveston, 2d Vice President.

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Vice President. Prof. Smith Ragsdale, Salado, 4th Vice President.

Prof. R. W. Pittman, Round Rock, 5th Vice President.

Prof. J. S. Brown, Pilot Point, Sec. Prof. J. L. Miller, Wortham, Treas. PROGRAMME.

Tuesday, morning session, 10 a. m. 1. Opening exercises; 2. Address of Welcome, Miss Virginia E. Garland; 3. Reply, Gen. L. M. Lewis, Marvin College; 4. President's Address; 5. Appointment of committees

Afternoon session, 2 p. m. 1. Opening exercises; 2. Life and Character of Geo. Peabody, Hon. O. N. Hollingsworth; 3. Discussion, opened by Prof. J. T. Hand; 4. Proper Study of English, W. C. Rote, San Antonio; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. C. H. Hobbs, Whitesboro;

mary Arithmetic, Prof. R.W. Pittman. Night session, 7.30 p. m.

1. Opening exercises; 2. The Rail- by Prof. Summerville, Denison.

6. Exhibition of Class Work, Pri-

road as an Element of Education, Alex. Hogg, Supt. Public Schools at Fort Worth; 3. Discussion, Dr. J. Baldwin, S. H. N. Institute; 4. History, J. R. Cole, A. and M. College; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. A. J.

Wednesday, morning session, 9 o'clock.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Geology, Prof. E. B. Keyte, Denton; 3. Discussion, opened by Mrs. J. G. Nash, Sherman; 4. The Teacher's Preparation for Class Work, Mr. A. B. Groyn, Galveston; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. Smith Ragsdale; 6. Receiving Reports of Committees.

Afternoon session, 2 p. m.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Observations on Schools in England and Scotland, Col. J. B. Simpson, Dallas; 3. Science Teaching in Elementary Schools, Mr. H. Lee Sellers, Galveston; 4. Discussion opened by Prof. W. Crow, Mineola, 5. Mathematical Studies Vindicated, Maj. J. M. Richardson, Leesburg; 6. Discussion, opened by Prof. M. H. Allis, Moulton; 7. Exhibition of Class Work, Written Arithmetic, Prof. Walter Pitts, Chappel Hill.

Night session, 8 p. m.

1. Opening exercises; 2. The Voluntary Principle, Stimulated by Denominational Spirit, the Best Reliance for Colleges and High Schools, Rev. Wm. Cary Crane, Baylor University; 3. Discussion, opened by Rev. John Collier, Mansfield; 4. State University, Hon. Ashbel Smith, Houston; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. Keyser, Tyler.

Thursday, morning session, 8:30 o'elock.

1. Opening exercises; 2. The Spanish Language in Our Schools, Prof. Smith, Whitesboro; 3. Discussion, opened by Prof. W. C. Rote; 4. Educational Progress in the United States during the First Century, Prof. J. C. Brooks, Gainesville; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. J. L. Miller; 6. Exhibition of Class Work in Geography, Prof. Potter, Gaines-

Afternoon session, 2 p. m.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Spirit of The School Room, Mrs. C. Walden, Fort Worth; 3. Discussion, opened by Miss Olivia Baldwin, S. H. N. Institute; 4. The Debt of Literature to the Common School, Prof. W. H. Foute, of Houston; 5. Discussion, opened by Prof. J. R. Dean, S. H. N. Institute.

Night session, 8 p. m.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Literary Culture, Gen. L. M. Lewis; 3. Discussion, opened by Prof. W. F. Mister, Plano; 4. Art of Teaching, Dr. J. Baldwin; 5. Discussion, opened

1. Opening exercises; 2. Address, Gov. Ireland; 3. Education Without Moral Culture a Curse, Rev. Dr. R. C. Burleson, Waco University; 4. Discussion, opened by Mrs. H. C.

Friday, morning session, 8:30 a.m.

Hobbs, Whitesboro; 5. Above continued by Rev. J. R. Malone, Dallas; 6. Exhibition of Class Work on Reading, Miss Viola Jackson, Sherman.

Afternoon session, 2 o'clock.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Election of Delegates to the National Convention; 3. Selection of a place for the Next Meeting; 4. Election of officers for the ensuing year; 5. Address, J. B. Merwin, Managing Editor American Journal of Education, St. Louis. Night session.

1. Opening exercises; 2. Schools of Germany, Prof. W. L. Binghurst, Marshall; 3. Civil Government, Miss Laura Malone, Dallas; 4. Discussion, opened by Prof. Johnson, Tyler; 5. School Government, Dr. E. D. Pitts; 6. Discussion, opened by Prof. W. W. James, Dallas; 7. Miscellaneous Business; 8. Religious Exercises and Adjournment.

The Board of Education of Texas have made assignments of teachers to the summer normal schools-thirty white and eight colored. Texas is the only State in the Union furnishing this number of normal schools for colored teachers. The institutes are to be opened June 2, for four weeks. The salaries of principals, \$150 each.

The Texas Treasury is certainly in a very healthful condition. Recently an inventory was taken with the following result: Cash, \$275,000; school fund bonds, \$5,000,000; university and asylum fund, \$500,000; land notes, \$3,500,000; university land notes, \$250,000. This makes a a grand total in Treasury of \$12,-000,000 in actual cash and valuable securities, and what other State can make so good a showing?

There was never a State more generous to the cause of education than Texas. Besides setting apart fifty millions of acres of land for public schools, which in time must create a fund sufficient to educate every child in the State, she establishes free normal schools, and then crowns the apex of an educational system with a university which is to be absolutely

Here every man is waited upon by the totality of surrounding conditions, and pressingly requested to show what power of will there is in him. The circumstances all invite him to do the greatest deed in his power and receive his wages therefor. Glycerine,

A catalogue of the Sam Houston Normal School is to be published and competitive examinations of students will be held at the times and places the summer normal schools are held, except that in districts where there are no summer schools, the directors shall themselves fix the time and place for such examinations.

The faculty for the ensuing term will be, Dr. J. Baldwin, principal; J. R. Dean, H. C. Pritchett, Mrs. A. A. Reynolds, Miss S. W. Elliott, Miss O. A. Baldwin, and H. F. Estell.

The acceptance of Dr. Mallet of the University of Virginia, Dr. Brown, formerly of Vanderbilt University, and Dr. Humphreys of Vanderbilt, of chairs in the University of Texas is officially announced. With three such eminent educators to organize this new university, it at once takes a stand among the first of our country. The endowment of the university is ample, being over 2,000,000 acres of land, and an additional income of \$25,000 a year.

At the last presidential election 9,204,428 votes were cast; being one to every 5 1-2 people in the country.

SAFE.

COUNTY Superintendent offer-A ed a reward of \$5.00 to any one who would correctly spell all the words in this list. About 35 teachers entered the contest, but no one won the prize. The highest number of the fifty correctly spelled by any one was 41. The greatest number of words missed by any one was 44.

We should not dare to make such an offer, for many of our subscribers are adepts in spelling, if "we" are not. Still, as these are both common and useful words, it will do no harm to try them on.

Guerrilla,

Apocalypse. Apotheosis, Antitypical, Axletree, Baton Rouge, Buenos Ayres, Butte. Brail. Bicycle, Bivousc. Bologna, Bronchitis. Bowie-knife. Bilious, Caisson, Dyspepsia,

Enchre.

Empyreal,

Elecampane,

Exchequer,

Fogginess,

Geyser,

Ghoul.

Arterialize,

Guillotine. Gauge, Howitzer. Kaleidoscope, Laurel, Lacquer, Labyrinth, Lachrymal, Mishawaka, Masquerade, Natchez, Psychology, Physique, Portuguese, Prairie du Chien, Rendezvous. Rensselaer. Shekel. Sanerkrant. Chevenne, San Joaquin, Terre Coupee, Wassail.

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JEFFERSON CITY, May 20, 1883. Editors American Journal of Educati PLEASE give notice that I will conduct examinations for State Certificates, as follows:

Memphis, June 15 and 16. Palmyra, June 18 and 19. Bowling Green, June 21 and 22. · De Soto, July 9 and 10. Charleston, July 12 and 13. West Plains, July 16 and 17. Peirce City, July 19 and 20. Nevada, July 23 and 24. Independence, July 25 and 26. Sedalia, July 27 and 28. Maryville, August 1 and 2. Gallatin, August 3 and 4. Carrollton, August 6 and 7. Clayton, August 14 and 15. Moberly, August 20 and 21. Rolla, August 24 and 25.

I will address the people at the above places on the evening of the first day. Yours truly,

W. E. COLEMAN, State Superintendent.

We are permitted to gather from the manuscript copy of Hon. R. D. Shannon's forthcoming able report, the following valuable data as illustrating the steady progress we have made and are still making in our system of public schools in Missouri.

These facts have been seriously questioned in the State and out of it, but they are "official," and will, we think, bear the closest scrutiny.

Omitting much of special importance for want of space, we take up the report of Dr. Shannon at the point of our

PRESENT CONDITION.

The following interesting facts are gleaned from the reports of county clerks and county commissioners of schools. The comparisons made are with the figures given in the last published report, which was the 31st, ending in April, 1880. The present report is for the school year which ended in April, 1882:

School census (age between 6 and 20) 1882-741,632; for 1880-723,-484; increase, 18,148.

Enrolled, 1882-488,091; in 1880, 482,986; increase, 5,105.

Per cent, of enrollment to enumeration, 1882,-65.81; in 1880-66.75; decrease, .94.

When we take into consideration the facts that the enumeration includes all persons in the State between the ages of six and twenty years, while the enrollment does not include any of the students attending the State University, the Normal Schools, the private and denominational schools, colleges and universities, nor the inmates of our asylums, hospitals and reformatory or penal institutions; that many of our youth Nervine" cured me of fits." \$1.50. Druggest.

attend schools in other States, who are enumerated but not enrolled in our schools, and that thousands never attend school until arriving at the age of seven or eight years, while a still greater number commence their life work as clerks, laborers and wives, before attaining the twentieth year, it will be seen that the per cent. of enrollment is most excellent. As a matter of opinion, merely, I submit that it is not surpassed by any other State in the Union.

Those who are entitled to the privileges of the public schools are all enumerated; while the actual school age, or the period in which the people attend the public schools is nearer the limits eight and eighteen than six and twenty.

Again, the enumeration returns are always more nearly correct than are the returns of enrollment. The county clerk must have the enumeration returns of a school district or he cannot apportion any of the public school revenue to that district. But the enrollment in the schools, which the law requires to be reported to the county commissioner and not to the county clerk, is never fully reported. The school officers of a very large number of districts, every year, fail to report to the county commissioners; and it is almost certain that not a county commissioner in the State secures reports from every district in his county, unless the commissioner of Jasper county furnishes an excep-

School houses owned in 1882, 8,-272; rented, 265; total, 8,537; school houses owned and rented in 1880, 8.249: increase, 23.

Seating capacity of schools, 1882, 516,942; in 1880, 499,135; increase,

Number of schools in operation. 1882, white, 8,321; colored, 501; total, 8,822; in 1880, white, 8,149 colored, 492; total, 8,641; increase, white, 172; colored, 9; total, 181.

Number of teachers employed, 1882, 10,607; in 1880, 11,659; decrease, 1,052.

WAGES PAID

To teachers, 1882, \$2,226,609.58; in 1880, \$2,218,637.36; increase, \$8,-972.22.

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Expenditures for school purposes, 1882, \$3,468,738.67, which is a per capita on enumeration of \$4,67 7-10; on enrollment, \$7.10 6-10.

Estimated value of school property. 1882, \$7,521,695.08; in 1880, \$7,-353,401.22; increase, \$168,293.86.

Assessed valuation of property (for State and county purposes) for 1882, \$560,391,848. Not reported by the commissioners of Andrew, Atchison, Cape Girardeau, Clinton, De Kalb, Henry, Holt, Laclede, Oregon, Osage, Ozark, Pike, Ripley, Scott, Shelby, Stone, Taney, Texas and Worth. Hence I was compelled to get this information partly from the State

District tax collected, report of 1882, \$2,286,191.66, which is 41c on the \$100 of assessed valuation of property.

Not reported by De Kalb and Macon counties, and not stated in the reports of county clerks of Andrew, De Kalb, Knox, Macon or Moniteau.

Fines, forfeitures, penalties, etc., (to increase county school funds, 1882,) \$91,168.91. This is an increase of \$40,000 over the average annual collections, as reported for a number of years.

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OUR PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS.

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NINE AND A HALF MILLIONS of dollars, as follows:

The term funds, as used by the constitution and statutes means the permanent, irreducible funds set apart for the maintenance of schools. The proceeds of these funds are denominated "moneys," and are distributed annually to the school districts on the basis of enumeration, provided that a free school has been maintained in the district reporting its enumeration, for not less than three months during the previous year.

Our school funds are classified and held as follows:

The county fund, held in trust, and invested in bonds or loaned by the county courts for the benefit of all the districts of the county. The township fund, held and managed by the county court in the same way, for the benefit of the several townships to which it belongs. There are also in the custody of the courts of a few counties, small bequests to the public schools, in the form of funds. These last are styled "special funds." But the whole amount of the funds reported by county clerks as special funds does not belong in this class. Sometimes clerks report moneys that should be classed as "county funds," under the head of "special." In the table below, the foregoing are included in an aggregate, as the first item.

The State fund, proper, is held in the form of a certificate of indebtedness by the State, with the exception of a few thousand dollars not yet converted.

Seminary or University fund, held in the same manner.

On these two funds the State pays annually six per cent. interest.

Agricultural College fund, and

University bonds; both funds being held by the Curators of the State University, in trust for that institution.

These funds amount to the respective sums given in the following table: County, township and special \$6,124,083.84 State Seminary. 122,095,08 Agricultural College..... University Bonds..... 218,000,00

Total.... \$9,476,696.58

A comparison with the amounts given in my 31st report will show an increase in all of these funds except the Seminary, as follows:

County, township and special, \$205,165.87 University..... 318,000,00 2.725.00

Total increase...... \$525,890,87

Curators have been so held for years, So much, : eretore, must be deducted from the ana. above given, in order to find the crue increase of our public funda.

The Agricultural College fund was created by the sale of lands donated by the Congress of the United States.

The increase of the State fund fund. arises from the fees of notaries public, under the law limiting the number in the city of St. Louis.

Missouri has, at present, the largest amount of permanent productive school funds of any State in the Union. Nor is the amount above given, \$9,476,696.58, the whole amount. The "fines, forfeitures and penalties" all belong to the county funds. I did ishes. not add the \$91,168.91 above given, for the reason that a few county clerks notified me they had included the fines, etc., as reported, in the statement of the county funds. I had no means of knowing just how much of the ninety-one thousand was thus included, and hence omitted it all from the table of funds. I feel confident it would be safe to say that three-fourths of the amount was reported only as collections, and was not included-as it should never be until the second year-in the item 'amount of county fund."

Two years ago, according to State reports, Indiana was first on the list, and her school funds exceeded ours \$114,449.02. To-day Missouri surpasses Indiana and all her sister States. In this fact, at least, if not in some others affecting our school interests, we have cause for pride, and may be pardoned for boasting.

INVESTMENT OF STATE FUND.

On January 18, 1882, I received the following communication from the State Auditor:

"SIR :- In compliance with section 7098 R. S., I have the honor herewith to notify you that there is now in the State Treasury, to the credit of the State School Fund, \$3,392.66, subject to the order of the Board of Education, for investment as provided in that section. Very respectfully, JOHN WALKER, State Auditor."

The thirty-first General Assembly repealed the section to which the Auditor referred, when it passed the act creating a certificate of indebtedness, and expressly repealed "all acts and parts of acts" under which the State Board of Education had power to convert any moneys which might come into the fund. Nevertheless, as president of that Board, I felt it them. my duty to call the Board together and submit the Auditor's communication. The act of the Legislature was read, and the Board decided it was powerless in the premises.

This money lies idle in the treas-

The \$100,000 in bonds held by the ury; no interest is paid on it,—as a part of the fund, it cannot be distribbut were never reported to my office. uted to the schools, and is therefore useless. I respectfully suggest that the law of two years ago be so amended as to cause an additional certificate, bearing six per cent. interest annually, to be issued for every sum of five hundred dollars, or multiple thereof, which may come into the

> It seems to me that it would be wise to provide some means for the constant and regular increase of the State school fund. The income of this, and all other public school funds can be used only in the payment of teachers' wages, after services rendered. As the fund increases, the necessity for local taxation dimin-

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"Encouraging letters have been sent by Hon. Frank T. Wise, county examiner, Pine Bluff; Prof. Leroy Bates of Texarkana; Prof. C. P. Conrad, Fayetteville; Prof. W. O. Smith, Augusta; Q. B. Poynes of Harmony, and others.

In fine, the latter part of June seems to be the time and the city of Little Rock the place of holding the next Association, which promises to be a live body of earnest teachers, who have something to do and intend to do it.

We hope others will join in the work."

Prof. Hays sent out the following queries to a great number of leading teachers and educators of the State:

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We shall endeavor also to furnish such items as will keep our readers posted as to educational progress in the State, and we shall at the same time do what we can to extend in our midst the circulation of a journal which has already done and is still doing so much for the promotion of education in the South and Southwest. We also consider it more in sympathy with our public school interests, and better adapted to our wants in Mississippi, and the South, than any other educational journal published in the North or East.

J. M. BARROW.

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"Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? There is more hope of a fool than of him"!

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Recent Literature.

Books Received

"New Elocution and Vocal Culture." By Robert Kidd, A. M. 504 pages. Introduc tion price, \$1. Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co., Cincinnati and New York.

"Extempore Speech." By Rev. William Pittinger. 276 pages. \$1 50. Nat. School of Elocution and Oratory Publishers, Phila "Spanish Grammar." By W. J. Knapp.

486 pages. Ginn, Heath & Co., Boston. "French Syntax." By James A. Harri-604 pages. John E. Petter & Co., Philadelphia.

"How to Write." By W. B. Powell, A. M. 239 pages. Introductory price, 60 cents Cowperthwait & Co., Philadelphia.

"Hand Book of Civil Government." By Thomas D. Suplee, A. M. 239 pages. Examination price, 67 cents. Eldridge & Bro., Philadelphia.

"New Method of Learning the French Language." By F. Berger. 138 pages. D. Appleton & Co., New York.

"The American Citizen's Manual; Part II: The Functions of Governments [State and Federal]." By Worthington C. Ford. \$1. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York.

"Pure Delight." A collection of Songs and Services for day and Sunday Schools. John Church & Co., Cincinnati.

"Political Economy." By John M. Gregory, LL. D., Ex-President Illinois Industrial University and former Supt. of Public Instruction of Michigan. 396 pages. Introductory price, \$1. Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co., Cincinnati and New York.

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Century, Atlantie, Lippincott, Popular Sci-

Wide Awake, St. Nicholas, Magazine of Art, Littell's Living Age, Art Amateur.

KIDDLE, H., and Schem, Alex. J., editors.
The cyclopedia of education; dictionary of information for the use of teachers, school officers, parents and others. Third edition with appendix. N. Y., Steiger, O. \$5; pap., uncut edges, \$4 [also in 4 divisions at \$1 each]; leather, \$6.

The present edition has an appendix of ten pages giving the latest educational statistics

BLAKE, Mrs. Lillie Devereux. Woman's place to-day: four lectures in reply to the Lenten lectures on Woman, by Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D. N. Y., John W. Lovell Co. 1883. 173 pp. s flex cloth, 50c; paper, 20c.

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HAWEIS, Rev. H. R. American humorists. N. Y. Funk & Wagnalls. D. Standard lib. paper; 15c.

Popularly written lectures on Washington Irving, Oliver Wendell Holmes, James Russell Lowell, Artemus Ward, Mark Twain, and Bset Harte.

The June number of the "North American Review' opens with an article by Joseph Nimmo, Jr., Chief of the Treasury Bureau of Statistics, on American Manufacturing Interests, in which is given a singularly full and instructive historical sketch of the rise and progress of manufactures in the United States, together with a very effective pretation of their present condition, and of the agency of tariff legislation in promoting diversified industries and encouraging the inventive genius of the people.

D. C. Gilman, President of Johns Hopkins University, writes of the Present Aspects of College Training, as affected by the increase of wealth and luxury, the development of natural science, and the influence of a larger religious liberty. Edward Self presents ome weighty considerations of Citizenship.

There is a symposium on The Moral Influence of the Drama, the participants being, on the one side, Rev. Dr. J. M. Buckley, well known as an opponent of the stage, and on the other, John Gilbert the actor, A. M. Palmer theatrical manager, and William Winter dramatic critic. 50 cents a number: \$5 a year. Published at 30 Lafavette Place New York.

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THE "Art Amateur" for June contains the nce Monthly, North American Review, usual profusion of charming designs for china

painting, including pansies for a-plaque, cherry blossoms for a panel, honeysuckle for a vase, and columbine for a desert plate.

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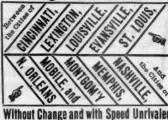
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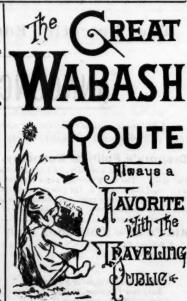
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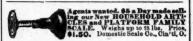
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